

REMARKS

It is apparent from the "Response to Arguments" in paragraph 8 of the Final Office Action that the disagreement to date between the Examiner and Applicant's attorney is based not so much on a disagreement as to what the prior art shows, as it is upon a difference in opinion as to how broadly the claim language should be read.

Accordingly, in order to clarify this matter and to more clearly distinguish the language of claim 27 from the prior art, claim 27 has been amended to require that there be a water supply conduit and a water discharge conduit which are clearly separate from the recirculation conduit. Furthermore, the recirculation conduit has further been defined "for recirculating recirculated water from the water inlet to the water outlet so that the recirculated water recirculates through the heat exchanger without having passed through the water discharge conduit".

Comparing this language to the Examiner's interpretation of the Lannes reference, it is apparent that there is only a single conduit loop in the Lannes patent, and that there is no separate water supply conduit and water discharge conduit associated with the water inlet and water outlet of Lannes.

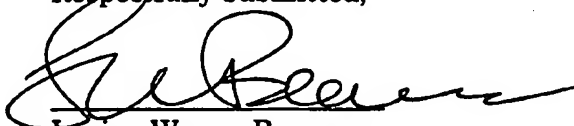
With this clarifying language it is respectfully submitted that all of the distinctions between claim 27 and the Lannes reference discussed at length in Applicant's response to the previous Office Action are now clearly applicable and provide a more than sufficient basis for distinction of the Lannes reference.

Also, it is noted that claim 31, which had been indicated as including allowable subject matter, has been rewritten in independent form and claims 32 and 33 depend from claim 31.

Conclusion

In summary, it is believed that the arguments and amendments set forth above are sound, and accordingly reconsideration is requested along with an early indication of the allowance of claims 27-30 in addition to claims 31-33 previously indicated as including allowable subject matter.

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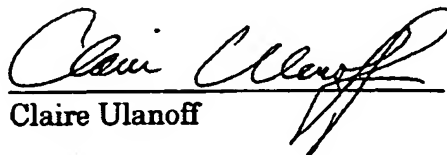
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